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UM WIND ENSEMBLE  
TO PRESENT CONCERT HONORING  
MISSOULA COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

The University of Montana Wind Ensemble will present a concert Friday, Dec. 5 dedicated to the Missoula County High School bands and drill team.

No admission will be charged for the concert which will be held at the UM Music Recital Hall at 8 p.m. However, a free-will offering will be accepted to help send the bands and drill team to the Cotton Bowl Parade Jan. 1 in Dallas, Texas.

Guest soloist for the concert will be Roger McDonald, assistant professor of music at the University of Montana. The 47-member ensemble will perform under the direction of UM assistant music professor Thomas Cook.

The program will include Celebration Overture by Paul Creston, Octet Variations I and II by Henri Lazarof, Passacaglia and Fugue in C minor by Johann Sebastian Bach and transcribed for Wind Ensemble by Donald Hunsberger, Recuerdo by Warren Benson, and Tunbridge Fair by Walter Piston.

McDonald holds a master of music degree from Yale and a bachelor of music from the University of Oklahoma. He studied oboe with Robert Bloom, now on the Julliard faculty, and Richard Killmer of the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra. McDonald has played with several orchestras and chamber groups, including the Clarion Woodwind Quintet, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, with whom he recorded the album "Music of Portugal," and the Bridgeport Wind Quartet. He has taught at the North Carolina School of the Arts, Wake Forest University, Wesleyan University, and the University of Bridgeport, prior to coming to the University of Montana. His duties at UM include instruction in saxophone as well as oboe and English horn.

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